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News worth sharing.

Dundas Street's drug rep motivates city into action

Fewer than 20 'pill deals' in front of store means it's a slow day: Business owner ◆ Councillor says crime, drug use has escalated in area since the start of summer ◆ Surveillance-camera study gets council approval

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Shani Bell uses two succinct words to describe the atmosphere outside her bar.

"War zone."

Bell owns St. Regis Tavern, 625 Dundas St., and has had connections to the business since 1981. She's well aware of — and open about — her neighbourhood's "east of Adelaide" reputation. But, she says, drug deals, assaults and loitering have become worse in recent months.

"There's hordes of people hanging around outside … (on this) whole block," Bell said.

Others back up her story.

One business owner said it's not uncommon for people to yell across the street at one another, asking for dugs.

Rob Esseltine, who owns robe'studio café at 680 Dundas, said a man stood outside his business recently with pills openly displayed in one hand, selling them to people as they passed.

"It's so blatant," Esseltine said. "They're not even going behind a car.... They're just right out in the open air."

Ward 4 Coun. Stephen Orser is on a campaign to fix the problems. He won approval Monday from other councillors to find out how much it would cost to put surveillance cameras on Dundas between Adelaide and Rectory streets.

"There's people fighting ... whaling on each other."
SHANI BELL, BUSINESS OWNER, DESCRIBING A TYPICAL SCENE OUTSIDE HER ESTABLISHMENT

He also got approval to start the process of closing off an alley between 632 and 634 Dundas — an area he said is frequented by drug users.

In the meantime, council approved a stepped-up effort to clean up the alley and install syringe-collection boxes.

Orser stressed the Old East Village revitalization effort in his argument to have the area cleaned up.

"You've got multimillion-dollar highrises going up and needles laying across the street," Orser said Monday, referring to the Centretown senior's apartment complex being built at 637 Dundas.

Future development aside, the increased drug activity is "killing" the businesses that do exist, Orser said.

During a stroll down Dundas Street yesterday afternoon, he pointed to at least one storefront that's become vacant in recent weeks and another where the owner is planning to pull up roots.

"We have to save this area from what's happening here," he said.

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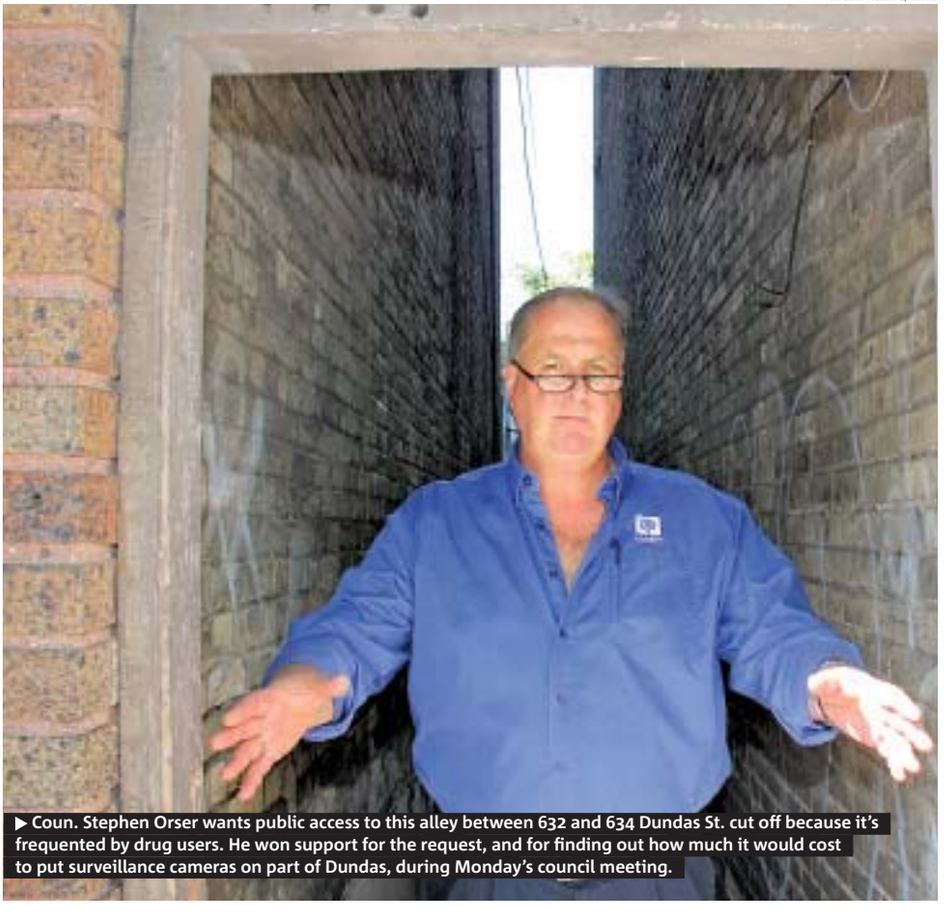

▶ Coun. Stephen Orser wants public access to this alley between 632 and 634 Dundas St. cut off because it's frequented by drug users. He won support for the request, and for finding out how much it would cost to put surveillance cameras on part of Dundas, during Monday's council meeting.

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UWO and the union for the school's librarians and archivists have struck a tentative deal, which, if ratified, could end the union's strike.

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Jogger dies after crash

A London woman has died in hospital after being hit by a pickup truck while jogging.

The accident happened Sept. 11 near the intersection of Adelaide Street and Ten Mile Road.

Eliesabeth Quintus, 48, was airlifted to hospital but died early Monday morning.

According to police, a van stopped at a stop sign and waited for Quintus to jog through the intersection. Once she passed, the van entered the intersection, but was hit by a southbound pickup truck. The impact pushed the pickup truck into the northbound shoulder, hitting Quintus.

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Tennis. Swing

▶ Joel Crane, 13, of London, winds up for a return shot yesterday while working on his tennis game at Thames Park.

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Students take class to the court

Joel and other eighth-graders from London Christian Elementary School spent some of the morning at the park's courts as part of a gym class.

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▶ James Loney

Activist to give reading

Peace activist James Loney will read from his book Captivity: 118 Days in Iraq tonight at 7 p.m. at the Wolf Performance Hall (251 Dundas St.)

Loney was head of a peace delegation in Iraq and, with three others in the group, was taken hostage in 2005.

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More work to be done on skating budget

Event's overall budget is $12 million and includes provincial, federal support Still time to form partnerships with private businesses

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It will be months before city officials have a firm handle on exactly how much money will be spent and where it will go for the 2013 World Figure Skating Championships.

The $4.1-million spending plan councillors approved in principle on Monday is far from the final word on how much a city spruce-up might cost. Really, that sum could be considered the upper limit, said Jeff Fielding, the city's chief administrative officer.

"Certainly that's the limit, and we'll try to do the best we can to stay below that amount," Fielding said.

What does seem certain is that a proposed $1.2-million overhaul of the Tourism London headquarters on Wellington Road is off the table. That work would have pushed the total proposal to about $5.3 million, officials said.

Based on "strong direction" from council on the issue, Fielding doesn't expect it will be in the list of prioritized projects shown to the finance and administration committee Oct. 19.

The shape that list takes will largely be determined by Skate Canada and others at the helm of the championships, Fielding said.

The proposal councillors supported in principle Monday includes $1.6 million for infrastructure upgrades included in the proposed 2012 budget. That would pay for projects ranging from tree planting to street work. An additional capital investment of about $1.8 million is included in the $4.1-million proposal and would cover the cost of initiatives including new way-finding signage and public art.

$30M Estimated economic benefit of the 2013 World Figure Skating Championships.

Everything up for review: Mayor

2012 budget

The 2012 budget won't be approved by full council until early next year.

A services review committee has come up with a list of ideas to either save money or generate revenue as city council aims to deliver a zero per cent tax increase for a second straight year.

Some of those ideas include selling naming rights for community centres and other city-owned facilities, as well as additional fees for service by the London Public Library and even a hotel tax.

London Mayor Joe Fontana says nothing has been approved but everything is up for review. Public input will be sought, he said. AM980/AM980.CA

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▶ Mayor Joe Fontana

News in brief

Man charged in stabbing

DOWNTOWN. A London man faces assault and weapons charges after a 26-year-old man was stabbed once in his lower back at the Richmond-Dundas streets intersection. He was sent to hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

Otto Duran, 23, has been charged. METRO

Assault charges

BATON USED. Two London men have been charged after another man was hospitalized following an assault near Wellington and Horton streets Sunday morning. A 26-year-old man suffered minor injuries after he was struck in the head by a suspect with an extendable baton.

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London teens take Grand stage

Students have spent more than 250 hours rehearsing for Footloose
Musical runs through Oct. 1

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London-area high school students are cutting loose.

Footloose, that is.

The Grand Theatre's fall high school project opens at 8 p.m. Friday. Previews run until tomorrow.

Footloose recreates the best the 1980s had to offer, and features memorable tunes such as Let's Hear It for the Boy and Holding Out for a Hero.

The 61 students involved — both performers and crew — have spent months getting in touch with the decade they all missed. Their hard work has produced an energetic show with period-appropriate clothing, right down to the cummerbunds and poufy dresses.

The Grand's high school project gives students a chance to work with professionals who do everything from directing the shows to overseeing music. Students work alongside the experts, sourcing costumes, painting sets and managing props.

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▶ Christine McKeon

Christine McKeon, 18, a student at H.B. Beal Secondary School, said the shows teach students the theatrical ropes. Footloose marks her fifth time on stage at the Grand.

"You learn so much about the industry that you wouldn't learn as part of a high school show," said McKeon, who hopes to study theatre after leaving Beal. "Every second I can grab on stage, I'll grab."

Grand opening

- **For more information** about Footloose tickets and show times, go to grandtheatre.com.

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▶ Chanel Danbrook, a student at Mother Teresa Catholic High School, and Andrew Varkaris, a student at H.B. Beal Secondary School, perform a scene from Footloose yesterday at the Grand Theatre. The show, this year's fall high school project, opens Friday and runs through Oct. 1. Previews are today and tomorrow.

Imax coming to Silvercity Masonville

By the end of the year, you could be watching your favourite Hollywood hit on an Imax screen right here in London.

Cineplex Entertainment announced yesterday that they will open two new Imax theatres — one in Victoria and the other in London at Auditorium 12 at Silvercity Masonville. Construction is expected to start in November.

"It is going to be a digital Imax theatre, so we'll be able to show 3D movies," said Kyle Moffatt, director of communications for Cineplex Entertainment.

"Also, with digital, that means it is a brighter picture, with nice vivid imagery," he said

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To the 'max

- **The new theatre will** accommodate 300 people.
- **It is slated to open in** December.
- **Tickets will cost $5 more** than normal ticket prices.

Missing scuba diver identified

A body recovered from the St. Clair River near Sarnia is that of a missing diver, OPP said yesterday.

Wilnelmus Bardoel, 48, of Ingersoll, was scuba diving near the Bluewater Bridge with two other divers on Sept. 12 when he failed to resurface. His body was recovered Sunday morning. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Cabbie attacked, taxi damaged

Three 20-year-old men face charges after a London taxi driver was assaulted and his cab damaged early Sunday.

The driver picked up the men at about 1:25 a.m. around Piccadilly and Richmond streets. Police say the men then attacked him and vandalized his taxi. There were no injuries and damage was estimated at $425.

Taylor Fifield of London, as well as Terence Li and Arash Golparvar of Markham, have been charged. METRO

Flasher sought in Tillsonburg

Oxford County OPP are looking for a man they say exposed himself to three young girls in Tillsonburg. He's described as white, between 20 and 30, with short messy brown hair and a raspy voice. AM980

Jane Urquhart reading today

Author Jane Urquhart will give a free public reading today at 12:30 p.m. at King's University College at the University of Western Ontario.

Urquhart, author of the award-winning novels The Underpainter, The Stone Carvers and, most recently, Sanctuary Line, is appearing as part of the Write Place Visiting Author series.

The reading takes place in the Vitali (Wemple) student lounge, at the corner of Epworth Avenue and Waterloo Street. METRO

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Incoming! Space junk to hit Earth

Clapped-out NASA satellite may smash into Canada
But relax: Odds are it'll land in water, experts say

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▶ Past its best-buy date: The Upper Atmosphere Research Satellite was launched in 1991. Now it's hurtling back to Earth.

An old NASA satellite, about the size of a bus, will come smashing into Earth this week.

But the U.S. space agency says not to worry.

The good news is the satellite has an estimated 3,200-to-one chance of killing or injuring someone.

The bad news is the debris could come down in Canada.

Peter Brown of the University of Western Ontario says current trajectory has the satellite landing anywhere between the 57th parallel in the north and 57th parallel in the south.

That means the only places in Canada outside the potential impact zone are the Northwest Territories and the Yukon.

Rest easy: Not only can the course change, but all indications suggest it's most likely to land in water.

"It can't be pinned down very accurately at this stage," Brown said. "Odds are it's (coming down) over the ocean."

Phil Langill of the University of Calgary says the odds are "very, very good" debris will land in water because the satellite spends most of its time over the oceans.

NASA said the satellite is expected to re-enter the Earth's atmosphere on Friday, "plus or minus a day."

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Choose a toilet: His, hers or LGBT

There are three toilet options now for revellers at a Rio de Janeiro shantytown's samba HQ: his, hers and LGBT (lesbian, bisexual, gay and transsexual).

The president of the Rio samba group says the third option was added at the request of its transsexual members.

Roberto dos Santos says women didn't like transsexuals using their bathroom, but they faced threats if they used the men's.

The group's carnival director, Carlos da Silva, hails the new option made available this week. He says people of all sexual orientations are more comfortable this way.

But the head of an LGBT-rights group, Marco Prado, says prejudice should be openly discussed instead of avoided by creating a separate bathroom.

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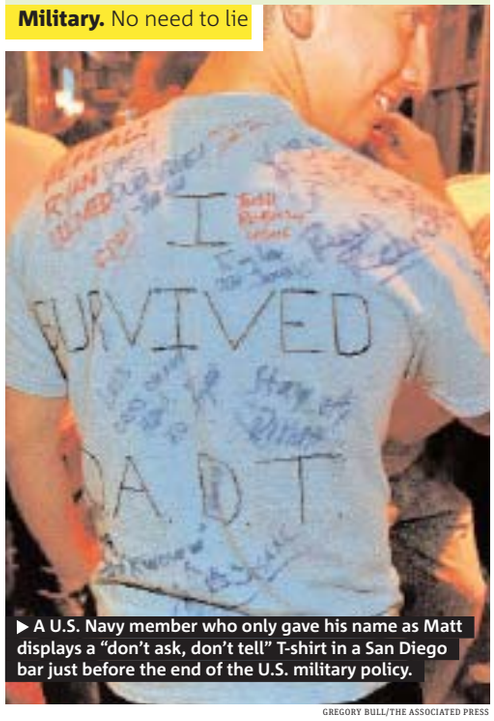
Military. No need to lie



▶ A U.S. Navy member who only gave his name as Matt displays a "don't ask, don't tell" T-shirt in a San Diego bar just before the end of the U.S. military policy.

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U.S. gay ban shot down

After years of debate, the U.S. military passed a historic milestone yesterday with the repeal of a ban in gays serving openly in uniform. U.S. President Barack Obama said the ban had forced gay and lesbian service members to "lie about who they are."

Libyans flee siege in Sirte

Ex-rebels claim control over much of Gadhafi's hometown Transitional government says it will continue rebuilding efforts despite ongoing fighting

Families in pickup trucks stacked with mattresses and jugs of water fled Moammar Gadhafi's hometown of Sirte yesterday ahead of an expected new push by revolutionary forces to seize the city, as the anti-Gadhafi forces claimed progress in the battle for a city in the remote southern desert.

A commander of the new government's forces said late yesterday they were in control of most of the Gadhafi desert stronghold of Sabha after a day of fighting. The commander, Bashir Ahwaz, said most of the tribesmen loyal to Gadhafi fled the city instead of putting up a fight, but three of his men and 19 pro-Gadhafi tribesmen were killed.

He said it would take another week for his forces to take control of all of Libya's southern desert and its borders with Algeria and Niger. Several groups of officials from Gadhafi's regime, as well as one of the dictator's sons, have fled to Niger.

Earlier, residents fleeing Sirte said they had been living under a state of siege with Gadhafi's forces preventing them from leaving, while living conditions deteriorated.

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Canada's role

- The Harper government will ask Parliament to extend Canada's military mission in Libya for three more months.

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Graffiti depicting Libya's ousted Moammar Gadhafi is seen on a street yesterday in Tripoli.

An Important Notice Regarding Your Personal Health Information

This notice is being issued to help people with diabetes or at risk of having diabetes decide whether or not they want to consent to having their personal health information shared in the Diabetes Registry and the Diabetes Testing Report.

The Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) is working to help individuals better manage their diabetes and their diabetes care. As part of this effort, eHealth Ontario is creating and will be operating a Diabetes Registry to give health care providers the ability to easily check patient records, access diagnostic information, receive patient alerts, and track the care a patient with diabetes receives. The implementation of the Diabetes Registry is a first step towards achieving a province-wide Electronic Health Record for eligible Ontarians.

The MOHLTC currently uses the paper-based Diabetes Testing Report to keep your primary care provider (physician or nurse practitioner in a Nurse Practitioner-Led Clinic) informed of when you last had the following three key tests that people living with diabetes should receive on a regular basis:

- the HbA1C blood glucose control test, which patients should receive at least every six months
- the LDL-C cholesterol test, which patients should receive approximately every year
- a retinal eye exam, which patients should receive at least every two years

In order to create the Diabetes Testing Report, your primary care provider shares personal health information, including your name, OHIP number, and date of birth with the MOHLTC. He or she will also confirm whether you have diabetes. In response, the MOHLTC will share the most recent date for each of the three key tests with your primary care provider.

Starting in Fall 2011, eHealth Ontario will begin operating the Diabetes Registry and other Electronic Health Record applications to permit health care providers to access your name, OHIP number, date of birth, and clinical information such as procedure dates and test results, in real time, when they are providing you with health care. The MOHLTC will continue to send Diabetes Testing Reports to primary care providers until they transition to the Diabetes Registry.

Protecting Your Privacy

The MOHLTC will share your personal health information through eHealth Ontario and the Diabetes Registry with health care providers when they are providing you with health care. The collection, use, and disclosure of your personal health information by the MOHLTC and health care providers, are subject to the *Personal Health Information Protection Act, 2004* (PHIPA). eHealth Ontario is also subject to PHIPA.

Your privacy is important. You may decide that you do not want your primary care provider to disclose your name, OHIP number, and date of birth, and confirm that you are a patient with diabetes, to the MOHLTC, and that you do not want the MOHLTC to include the dates of your last HbA1C, LDL-C, and retinal eye exam in your provider's Diabetes Testing Reports.

You may also withhold or withdraw your consent so that your personal health information will not be shared with health care providers through the Diabetes Registry without your express consent.

If you do not want your personal health information shared through the Diabetes Registry and/or the Diabetes Testing Report, this will in no way affect your relationship with your health care providers, who will continue to provide health care to you.

If you previously withheld or withdrew your consent from having your personal health information included in Diabetes Testing Reports, your consent will also be withdrawn from the Diabetes Registry. However, if you previously withheld or withdrew your consent from the Diabetes Testing Report, but would like your information to be accessible by health care providers through the Diabetes Registry, you will need to reinstate your consent by following the instructions set out below.

Deciding Not to Share Your Information

If you wish to withhold or withdraw your consent to having your information disclosed between your primary care provider and the MOHLTC for Diabetes Testing Reports and/or if you wish to withhold or withdraw your consent to having your personal health information accessed by health care providers through the Diabetes Registry, you may call **1-800-291-1405 (TTY: 1-800-387-5559)**.

If you have previously withheld or withdrawn your consent to have your information included on the Diabetes Testing Report and you do not want to participate in the Diabetes Testing Report or the Diabetes Registry, you do not need to withhold or withdraw your consent again.

If you have previously withheld or withdrawn your consent and wish to reinstate your consent to participate in the Diabetes Testing Report and/or the Diabetes Registry, you can do so by calling the number above.

More information about diabetes and the Diabetes Registry can be found at **www.ontario.ca/diabetes**.

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▶ PETA activists in 2009.

PETA porn coming soon

BAWDY. PETA — People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals — plans to create a pornographic website to promote its animal-rights and vegan-diet message.

PETA aide Lindsay Rajt says the website will feature graphic videos and photographs. She noted PETA has used porn stars and nudity to get its message across in the past.

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Tory help costs $90,000 a day

CONSULTANTS. The Harper government is paying a high-powered management-consultant firm almost $90,000 a day for advice on how to save money.

Deloitte Inc. was hired on Aug. 15 on a $19.8-million contract to advise the federal cabinet and senior officials.

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When a slur is just a joke

ONLINE LIMITS. Is it OK to text a slur? Most young people think it is when friends are joking around with each other, according to a new poll.

The AP-MTV poll shows they don't worry that online slurs could reach a wider audience and get them in trouble.

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Tory crime crackdown

Giant justice bill touches drugs, parolees, refugees, terrorism ◐ Critics say the measures just don't work

Drugs, refugees, parolees and terrorism.

The Conservative government touched them all when it introduced sweeping new criminal-justice changes yesterday.

But the Tories dismissed the cost to taxpayers and the downward direction of crime trends.

"We're not governing on the basis of the latest statistics," Justice Minister Rob Nicholson said in Brampton.

"We're governing on the basis of what's right to better protect victims and law-abiding Canadians."

Prime Minister Stephen Harper has moved to make good on an election promise to bundle a series of proposed measures as part of his self-described "tough-on-crime" agenda.

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▶ "Canadians ... deserve to feel safe in their homes," Justice Minister Rob Nicholson said yesterday.

The 110-page omnibus bill tabled in the Commons affects nine pieces of existing legislation including changes to drug laws, youth sentencing, the pardons system, detention of refugees, parole and house arrest and anti-terrorism measures.

The government won praise from victims'-rights groups and at least two provinces.

But critics say the measures are hugely expensive and have been proven ineffective — or worse — over three decades of increasingly draconian "tough-on-crime" campaigns in the United States.

Many of the new provisions will increase the number of offenders facing sentences of less than two years, putting more strain on provincial jails.

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Going down ...

- Crime rates in both Canada and the United States have been trending downward in near lock-step for at least a decade.
- Many American state governments are attempting to unravel harsh minimum-sentencing provisions and bring in more parole and house-arrest options in an effort to ease the crushing cost of incarceration.

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We are calling on the next government to establish an

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▶ Air Canada employees rally on Parliament Hill in Ottawa yesterday.

Air Canada reaches deal

Details of deal to be released after vote with flight attendants is held
Airline was making plans to continue flying if a strike had occurred

Air Canada has reached a tentative contract deal with the union for its flight attendants, averting a possible strike that would have disrupted operations at Canada's biggest airline.

The Canadian Union of Public Employees said yesterday it is recommending Air Canada's 6,800 flight attendants accept the deal.

"It's business as usual and customers can continue to make their travel plans on Air Canada with confidence," Susan Welscheid, Air Canada's senior vice-president of customer service said.

In August, the Air Canada flight attendants had resoundingly rejected a tentative deal CUPE negotiated with the airline, forcing the two sides back to the drawing board. The key areas of dispute were wages, pensions, crew rest, working conditions and work rules.

CUPE said it will hold meetings of its membership in Vancouver, Calgary, Toronto and Montreal over the next week.

A strike deadline had been set for just after midnight today, though federal Labour Minister Lisa Raitt had warned she would introduce back-to-work legislation.

Minutes after the deal was announced, Labour Minister Lisa Raitt called on union members to ratify the agreement.

"The objective of the legislation that we put on notice yesterday has been achieved and we are so very pleased that air service for Canadians will be protected," she said.

A walkout in June by the airline's customer service agents lasted just three days before a deal was reached under a threat by Raitt that she would legislate them back to work.

The Air Canada deal was announced soon after the two sides resumed face-to-face talks and hours after they broke off negotiations.

It prompted Air Canada's shares to soar more than six per cent, gaining 10 cents to $1.69 in afternoon trading on the Toronto Stock Exchange.

The union held rallies at Parliament Hill in Ottawa and other locations. Sal Occhiuzzi, 54, a flight attendant for 31 years, said workers just wanted a fair deal that will allow them to recover some of the money lost in the last decade.

"We helped the company out when things were tough and we all gave a lot and it's time for the company to give a bit back," he said. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Tims truly exports itself

Tim Hortons' new Dubai location represents "the first true export of the brand," CEO Paul House said yesterday, but even after the outlet opened its doors to crowds of Canadian expatriates Saturday, the chain is not rushing toward a global presence.

"It's a historic moment," House said.

Though the chain has already opened extensive operations in the U.S., self-serve kiosks in the U.K., and a temporary location at the Kandahar Airfield in Afghanistan, this store is its first full-serve restaurant outside of North America.

The menu is identical, and although Dubai is a "mature" coffee market, with many Starbucks, Tims sees opportunity in its value-priced food options not readily available in the region, House said.

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Market moment

PRICES AS OF 5 P.M. YESTERDAY

Dollar	Natural gas 1,000 cu ft
- 0.40¢ (100.64¢ US)	$3.85 (+ 1.9¢)
	Gold contracts $1,809.10 (+ $30.20)
Oil	**TSX**
+ 1.19¢ US ($86.89 US)	+ 37.84 (12,209.88)

TECHNOLOGY

Future car drives itself

It can talk, see, drive and no longer needs a human being to control it by remote. The car of the future — completely computer-controlled — is on the streets of Berlin.

All summer, researchers from the city's Free University have been testing the automobile.

The vehicle manoeuvres through traffic on its own using a sophisticated combination of devices, including a computer, electronics and a precision satellite navigation system in the trunk, a camera in the front, and laser scanners on the roof and around the front and rear bumpers.

"The vehicle can recognize other cars on the road, pedestrians, buildings and trees up to 70 metres around it and even see if the traffic lights ahead are red or green and react accordingly," explained Raul Rojas, the head of the university's research group for artificial intelligence.

The scientists have worked on their research car, a Volkswagen Passat worth $551,800 US with lots of built-in special technology, for four years.

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Governments 'must act swiftly': Bank of Canada

Bank of Canada governor Mark Carney is issuing a call to action to governments and laying partial blame on their ineffectual responses so far for taking the world to the precipice of a new recession.

In a hard-hitting speech to a business crowd in Saint John, N.B., Carney said yesterday the combination of sovereign debt worries and bad politics have sapped investor confidence.

"The combination of high debt loads and unpredictable politics is toxic," he said.

The no-nonsense language highlights the importance Carney gives to the upcoming meetings of the G20 finance ministers and International Monetary Fund later this week. But it also underscores the gravity of the situation as he sees it.

Europe's fiscal and debt problems are serious but fixable, but governments must act swiftly to fix them, he said. He said the U.S. is not doomed to suffer another recession, but the risks have clearly risen and squabbling politicians are making matters worse.

While these problems — and solutions — lie mostly outside Canada, Carney said that the Canadian economy will not skirt by unscathed. The economy is being damaged through a tightening of financial conditions and a slowdown in growth, particularly with in the export sector.

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Projections

- IMF projected growth for this year to be 2.1 per cent, while downgrading economic expectations for much of Europe and the United States.
- Bank of Canada governor Mark Carney says if a new shock occurs, the Bank of Canada has the tools to boost our economy.

GINGER-SPERM BAN TURNING SOME HEADS

JUST SAYIN' ...

PAUL SULLIVAN
METRO

Redheads are special.

I know. I've been married to one for 33 years come Oct. 6. They're fiery, fierce, funny and fantastic. The air crackles as they walk down the street. Some even come with an added bonus: freckles. I defy anyone to resist the charms of a fat-faced, green-eyed, red-headed moppet adorned with freckles.

It can't be done.

So what's with the world's largest sperm bank, the Danish firm of Cryos International, turning red-headed donors away? Apparently the demand for green-eyed red-headed moppets adorned with freckles has dropped off, except in Ireland, where red-headed sperm sells like hotcakes according to the director, some guy named Ole (not to be confused with Olé, which ain't Danish).

The Irish breed as many redheads as four-leaf clovers, but there are also up to 18 million redheads in the U.S.A., and Scotland is the epicentre, where 13 per cent of the population sports a carrot top. But as the petri dish becomes the next cradle of humanity and people can choose their hue, redheads are in danger of being engulfed in a colour-biased wave of brown, black and blond.

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The problem is obvious. Red-headed babies have an immediate high profile. It's impossible for them to blend in, to become part of the faceless crowd, as they shine like a copper star wherever they go. Most parents are inherently conservative. They don't want to raise kids who stand out just by standing there.

Why else would you name your kid Madison? Because all the others kids are called Madison.

You can't call a redhead Madison. That's a brunette name. A redhead is called Fergie, or maybe Gus. And definitely Colleen.

Take it from me. As you can tell from the photo that accompanies this column, I should be considered completely neutral on matters of hair. I'd be happy to have some, period. I dimly remember having brown hair, which clogged the drain for a few years before making an early exit. I think I'm what they call Black Irish, which is ridiculous as 99 per cent of me is pink, especially with prolonged exposure to the sun. Most redheads aren't so good in the sunlight either, as they don't need the competition.

We simply can't allow redheads to be eclipsed by reproductive science (talk about an oxymoron). We should all join the Red Headed League: Redheads of the world unite! It's time to stick up for the right to stick out.

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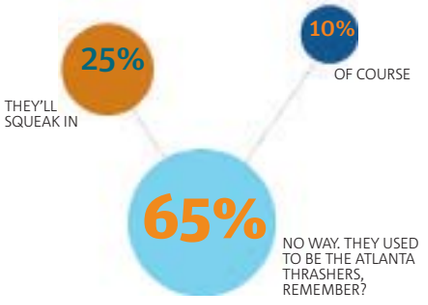

Local tweets

- **@michelle clermon:** Yet another very busy morning,stopping by for a quick good morning to all my friends in #ldnont
- **@ama_rie:** Wow, it was Ark weather yest monday, but what a beatiful, glorious, cloudless, blue sky, sunny day in #ldnont. #feelingalive #blessed
- **@Carlyaun:** Remember the idling bi-law. No more than 2 minutes. Watch for the idle blitz thus week in #ldnont
- **@FoodDrunkLondon:** #cdnpoli , ontario election heating up..could vote split cost the libs and ndp? Get out and vote #uwo #ldnont
- **@KWalshaw:** After a busy and productive weekend, it's back to school. Let's hope this week brings an end to the UWOFA strike! #UWO
- **@oh_someday:** @London_Traffic there should be a no turning right sign @ philip aziz during peak times. The wait is ridiculous. #uwo #WesternU
- **@4KAnthem:** Shots in the morning. I love this place #uwo

Worth Mentioning

AVATAR. The Walt Disney Co. said yesterday it has agreed on an exclusive deal to build attractions based on James Cameron's Avatar at its theme parks, starting with its Animal Kingdom park in Orlando, Fla.

Construction is set to begin in 2013 and is expected to be finished about three years after that.

The Avatar attraction is to be an immersive land spanning several acres and will cost less than half of the estimated $1 billion US it cost to expand Disney California Adventure Park, or around $400 million US.

CEO Bob Iger made the announcement at a news conference yesterday.

Cameron, who is working on the second and third instalments of the top-grossing film of all time, said the attractions would be a way to bring the lush world of Pandora to life, and would include animatronics and potential multimedia shows that use 3-D and holographic technology.

"This is a pretty darned exciting project," Cameron told reporters.

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Cartoon by Michael de Adder

WEIRD NEWS

Something missing in the audience ... oh yeah, men

Turkey has come up with a radical solution for tackling crowd violence at soccer matches: ban the men and let only women and children in.

Under new rules approved by Turkey's soccer association, only women and children under the age of 12 will be admitted to watch games — for free — involving teams which have been sanctioned for unruly behaviour by their fans.

Yesterday, women formed long lines around Fenerbahce's Sukru Saracoglu stadium.

The game kicked off with Fenerbahce and Manisaspor players hurling flowers at the spectators. The visiting team was greeted with applause, instead of the usual jeering.

Fenerbahce was sanctioned by the association in July following trouble by fans who also attacked journalists for what they regarded as critical coverage of a match-fixing probe that involves the league champion.

Fenerbahce president Aziz Yildirim is among 30 suspects detained in the case.

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- Taylor Lautner looks to shed his werewolf image with his first solo project
- The teen heartthrob promises to keep our pulses racing in his new flick

The 'next Tom Cruise'

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HANDOUT

▶ Up and coming actors Taylor Lautner and Lily Collins star in Abduction.

If you ever find yourself searching for the room where you're scheduled to interview Taylor Lautner, look for the one with the duo of hulking security guards suspiciously eyeing every room service attendant or housekeeper that walks down the hall. That's the place.

It makes sense that Lautner would need to take certain precautions given that he's been an international megastar since the age of 16, thanks to a little something called Twilight.

Now at the ripe old age of 19, with his time as werewolf Jacob Black wrapped on the final installment of the series and set to come to an end in November 2012, Lautner is looking to grow from teen idol to leading man with his first solo project, Abduction, an action adventure helmed by John Singleton.

As grateful as Lautner is for the success of the Twilight franchise, one has to wonder if he isn't more than a little excited to escape certain byproducts of the series' success, like the hysterical screaming teens that swarm him wherever he goes.

Asked if he ever grows weary of hearing shrieks, he shakes his head.

"I love that noise," he smiles. "We feed off of their energy. When we walk into a room, an auditorium or a red carpet and there's thousands of fans screaming, it really gets us pumped. I remember the first time we ever heard it was at Comic Con for Twilight and we were like, 'Whoa! What is going on?' But now we're kind of used to it. We love it."

Leaving the Twilight series behind and embarking on more mature roles, Lautner has been hailed as "the next Tom Cruise," a distinction he embraces with a "Gee, shucks, me?" attitude.

"Tom Cruise has been my idol my entire life. I love his career path, his choices, so to have a tenth of the career Tom Cruise has had would be a dream for me," he offers shyly.

One thing Cruise and Lautner have in common, besides those delightfully toothy grins, is a love of performing their own stunts.

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TAYLOR LAUTNER

As an accomplished martial artist, Lautner is extremely physically capable and was thrilled to tackle the action sequences of Abduction, which included boxing, riding on the hood of a careening car and sliding down the sheer glass face of an escalator overhang.

"When I hear about the stunts that my character is going to do, I want to do them myself," Lautner beams.

"Selfishly, they sound fun, but our goal with this movie was to make it seem as real and grounded as possible and it always helps when the real actors are doing the stunts."

Film synopsis

- **Abduction is** "a thriller centred on a young man who sets out to uncover the truth about his life after finding his baby photo on a missing persons website," according to IMDB.

'A different type of relationship'

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▶ Harry Connick Jr. gets wet.

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Harry Connick Jr. says working with his co-star everyday was "really incredible."

He's not talking about Morgan Freeman or Ashley Judd, although he enjoyed spending time on set with them.

No, he's referring to Winter, the titular star of his new film Dolphin's Tale.

Winter is the real-life inspiration of the story of a bottlenose dolphin whose tail was lost in a crab trap.

Rescued and rehabilitated by the folks at the Clearwater Marine Aquarium, the giant marine mammal was equipped with a prosthetic tail which allows it to swim normally.

"I've been around dolphins before but there is something different about her. I guess it's because she's been so ultra socialized, she's been around so many different people since she was months old that maybe there is a different type of relationship she has with humans. I'm not sure. There is something you can feel. It's pretty cool."

2 scene

Scene in brief

Canadian singer J.D. Fortune says he's no longer a member of the band INXS and that the split is amicable. In a post on his blog yesterday, Fortune says he was not fired and didn't quit, but that the band will continue without him. He says he's now developing "several exciting projects as a solo artist."
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New HBO documentary shines a rare light on influential Hispanics in The Latino List

Sheen changes his tune

Troubled actor is being pretty nice about his old show — could it have to do with his sweet payout?

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▶ Charlie Sheen

Charlie Sheen has been making nice with his former show, Two and a Half Men — offering kind words at the Emmys and tweeting about watching the season 9 premiere — and now we know why.

Sheen has reached a settlement with Warner Bros. over his dismissal from the show earlier this year, and according to TMZ the actor will get an immediate $25 million payout, plus about $100 million in syndication profits over the next 10 years.

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'I often dream of quitting acting': Michelle Williams

Despite the acclaim she's been receiving for her upcoming films, Michelle Williams admits she's been fantasizing about leaving acting behind.

▶ Michelle Williams

"I often dream of quitting acting. Walking away and becoming a laundress or a sous chef, or maybe writing other people's love letters for a living," Williams tells Hobo magazine.

"Clearly, I don't like to be in charge."

But don't go writing the My Week with Marilyn star off just yet, as she admits that "thinking of quitting is just keeping going in disguise."

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Sarah Hyland dukes it out with fans of Glee star on Twitter

Modern Family star Sarah Hyland has found herself in a war of words on Twitter with fans of Glee star Lea Michele after Hyland mocked Michele's red carpet poses while guest-hosting Fashion Police on the E! network.

"I did not intend for my comments to be taken in a malicious way. But I did hate the dress. Called her ass great. Did you all hear that one?"

Hyland tweeted in response to rabid Michele fans, who also accused Hyland of being jealous of Michele's success.

"In no way am I jealous of Lea Michelle," Hyland shot back.

"I'm happy with my own life and am not jealous of anyone else's in the world."

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▶ Sarah Hyland

▶ Lea Michele

Entourage will hit big screen

There's been speculation about an eventual Entourage movie now that the HBO series has ended, and executive producer Mark Wahlberg is happy to confirm it.

"Yes, for sure. Yes," he tells Hollyscoop when asked if the jump to the big screen is taking place. Wahlberg says that all the events of the series finale leave the characters "teed up for a movie."

There's no word on when the film would go into production at this time.

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▶ Mark Wahlberg

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Celebrity tweets

@charliesheen

Surrounded by friends and watching the premier of Two and a Half Men. Odd... But cool..! So far a lot of laughs!! Nice...

@JuddApatow

Tomorrow is the last day of our shoot of This Is Forty. It has suddenly gotten very sad around here. I am proud of our team. We gave our all

@SarahKSilverman

Let's all make a pact to stop dressing our toddlers in sexy outfits

@Slash

Watched Bridesmaids for the 2nd time on the way back to LA. Even better the 2nd time. Easily best comedy of the year.

Let loose in the Arizona desert

Are you ready to defy the crisp days of autumn? Extend summer with an awe-inspiring trip to Arizona and the Sierra Ancha

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Your first day in Arizona, in the heart of the Sierra Ancha's stones, try gearing up with a wetsuit and a helmet to inspect the Salome Canyon underworld. Scramble and swim in some of the most spectacular natural playgrounds in the world. At times down in the canyon, you will be able to touch both granite walls rising 200-feet above you and rappel a 40-feet rushing waterfall.

Spend a divine night at the luxury Royal Palms Resort and Spa, and wake up early to climb the Camelback Mountain in Phoenix. Imagine the sensation of making one with the mountain, of floating like a bold eagle above the rocks while admiring the sunrise on the city. Take the afternoon to go deeper in the Sonora desert and hike among the boulders.

Get on your mountain bike on the third day and race among cacti and other unwelcoming, yet beautiful spiky trees in McDowell Regional Park. Make sure not to step on a rattlesnake or a tarantula nest; they abound in the area. Unwind in the afternoon, kayaking on the gentle stream of the Salt River, where you might come across wild mustangs.

On day four, you will board a Cessna (a four-seater plane) to fly over the Grand Canyon. In the Grand Canyon National Park, sore muscles permitting, you will embark on a 1200-foot descent down the canyon. It's a spectacular trek through more than 40 million years of geological history.

Save a day to drive down to Tucson and live among cowboys for a while at the White Stallion Ranch.

If you go

- **Canyoneering, climbing:** 360-adventures.com
- **Mountain biking, kayaking, hiking:** aoa-adventures.com
- **Grand Canyon flying:** westwindairservice.com
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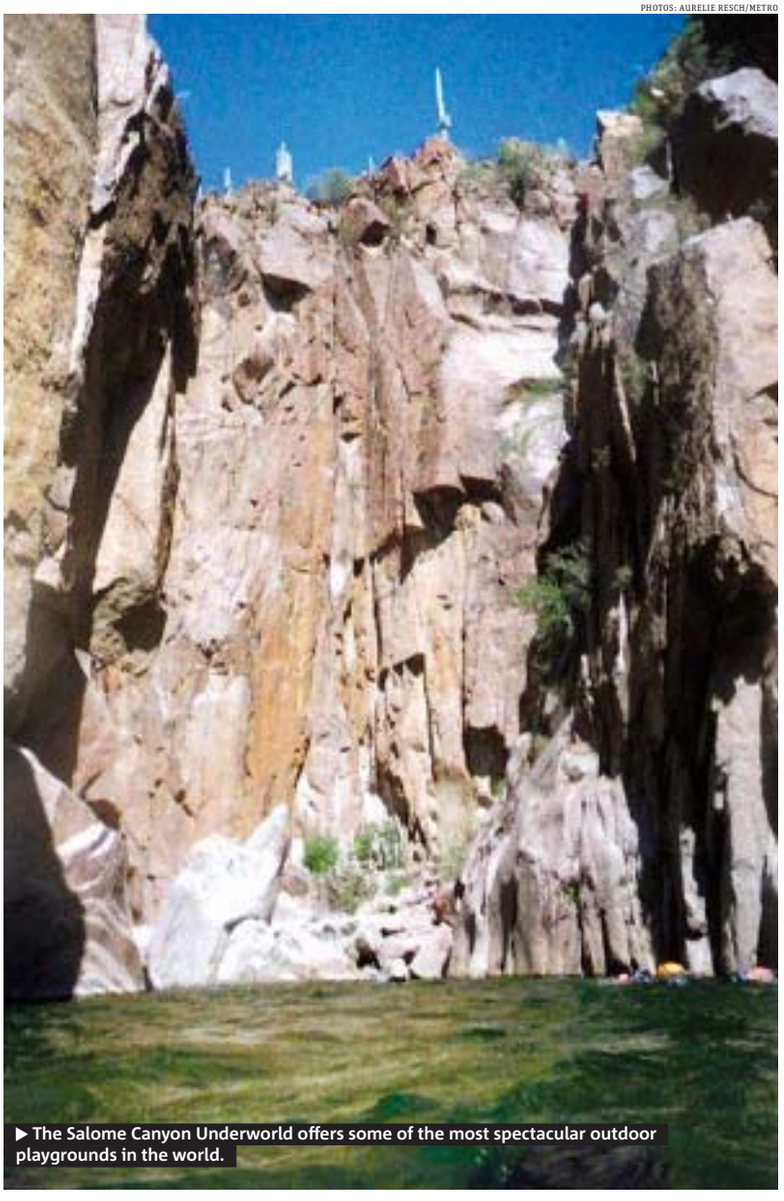

▶ The Salome Canyon Underworld offers some of the most spectacular outdoor playgrounds in the world.

▶ Arizona's sunny weather will help you forget the chill of fall.

▶ Arizona offers plenty of opportunity for climbing.

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Travel in brief

Google is elevating the quality of its search results for airline tickets. Its revised approach to airfare queries appeared Tuesday in a newly opened "flights" section of Google.com. It provided the first glimpse at how Google intends to use the tools it picked up from its $676 million purchase of leading airline fare tracker ITA Software.

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After taking top prize on TV show, chef serves winning meal at restaurant.

Savoury apple sensations

Apple Cheddar Puffs prove this fruit has a place at the dinner table Serve as appetizers

MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

▶ Make 24 puffs with this recipe.

While sauces and pies are a fine start, it's also easy to get creative with how we cook apples.

Ingredients:

Puffs

- 250 ml (1 cup) water
- 90 ml (6 tbsp) unsalted butter
- 5 ml (1 tsp) salt
- 325 ml (1 1/3 cup) all-purpose flour
- 5 eggs
- 250 ml (1 cup) grated extra-sharp cheddar cheese

Filling

- 4 Golden Delicious apples, peeled, cored and diced
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) sugar
- 5 ml (1 tsp) grated fresh ginger
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) lemon juice
- Pinch salt
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) water, divided
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) cornstarch

Apple Cheddar Puffs Preparation:

1 Heat oven to 220 C (425 F). Line 2 baking sheets with parchment paper.

2 In saucepan over medium-high, heat water, butter and salt until boiling. Add flour and stir vigorously with wooden spoon until mix comes away from sides of pan and forms a ball of dough, about 1 min.

3 Transfer dough to bowl of electric mixer. Mix with paddle attachment 1 min. Add eggs, one at a time, waiting until fully incorporated before adding next. When all of the eggs are incorporated, mix in cheese.

4 Spoon mix into large zip-close bag with corner cut off. Gently squeeze to create walnut-size mounds on prepared baking sheets, leaving 5 cm (2 inches) between each mound. Bake 10 mins, then reduce oven temp. to 190 C (375 F) and bake for another 15 minutes or until golden brown.

5 Remove puffs from oven and pierce side of each to allow steam to escape. Let cool.

6 While puffs bake, make filling. In saucepan over medium-high, cook apples, sugar, ginger, lemon juice, salt and 30 ml (2 tbsp) of water just until apples tender, about 6 mins. In glass, stir remaining 30 ml (2 tbsp) water and cornstarch, add to apples. Bring to simmer and cook just until mi thickens, 1 to 2 mins. Let cool before using.

7 To fill puffs, cut each in half horizontally. Spoon small amount of filling into bottom of shell, replace top half of shell. Serve warm or at room temperature.

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Drink of the week

Earl Grey Peach Bubbly

Party punches, like this one, are perfect for entertaining. The carbonated water adds an extra special twist.

- 2 cups (500 mL) water
- 2 tbsp (30 mL) Earl Grey loose tea leaves
- 1 1/2 cups (375 mL) peaches (sliced, peeled, pitted)
- 1/3 cup (75 mL) honey
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) grated lemon rind
- 1/4 cup (60 mL) lemon juice
- 1 bottle (750 mL) carbonated mineral water

In saucepan bring water to boil. Add tea leaves; steep 5 mins. Let cool slightly.

Strain tea into blender; discard tea leaves. Add peach slices and honey. Blend until smooth. Add lemon rind and juice. Cover and refrigerate until cold.

Pour mix into pitcher; add mineral water. Refrigerate until ready to use.

EMILY RICHARDS

It's Game Time!

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Who's going to be the top rookie this year?

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Start the search in September. Seriously.

STUDENT VOICE

TOMMY TAM
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Most college and university students start their summer job search in February. But actually, job searching much earlier — in September — can lead to summer employment.

In the beginning of September 2010, I began looking for work-study positions at my university. The Federal Work-Study Program allows students like me to gain some extra cash while still putting school as their first priority.

The program restricts students to a maximum of 12 working hours per week and usually runs from September to early March.

▶ Tommy Tam knows first-hand what staying ahead of the pack can do for the career-minded student.

After sending my resumé and cover letter to a few work-study positions, I was invited for an interview and was granted the position of Research Assistant at the Department of Health Policy, Management and Evaluation (HPME).

I truly enjoyed my time and my work with the professor and her team, but found myself searching for a summer job as April 2011 came around.

To my surprise, my professor offered to hire me from May to August, as a summer student with her team.

And even more amazing than that, I was accepted as a graduate student in that same department! Searching for jobs early on in September really paid off.

Based on my experience, I would recommend career centres continue actively promoting and advertising the Federal Work-Study Program so that students can be informed of these types of opportunities.

The Federal Work-Study Program has worked wonders for my career and I sincerely hope that it will do the same for others as well.

I also hope that my fellow students learn how important it is to start your job search early, in September when companies are hiring students who are going to graduate that year. Students often start their job search in February or even later on in the year but I hope I can encourage students to start their job searches as early as possible.

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What I learned

Key take-aways from Tommy's experience:

- Don't leave job-searching to the last minute. If you want a job after graduation, then start applying when employers are hiring: in September.
- Networking is vital to landing any job — if employers can put a face to a name, you'll stand out from the numerous resumés they receive every day.

Where Tommy is now

I am currently a graduate student at the Department of Health Policy, Management and Evaluation (HPME), the same department where I held a work-study position.

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Fun seems to be back in Crosby's game

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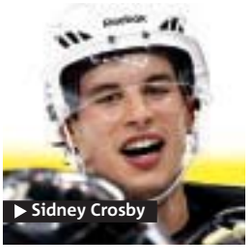

▶ Sidney Crosby

Sidney Crosby was uncommonly upbeat a few minutes before his fourth training camp practice in as many days, regularly flashing smiles yesterday while fending off the playful kidding of his Pittsburgh Penguins teammates.

The reason for Crosby's cheerfulness seems evident. He appears to be getting closer to being cleared for contact — the biggest remaining hurdle as he recovers from a concussion that has sidelined the Penguins' star for 8 ½ months.

"I'm pretty happy with the way they've gone so far," Crosby said of the on-ice workouts.

That was evident as Crosby skated full speed through another all-out practice, this time with co-star Evgeni Malkin skating alongside him in the same group. Malkin, is recovering from knee surgery.

Crosby hasn't backed off any drill, except those that require contact. But he hasn't appeared reluctant to engage in any contact, skating just as hard into the corners as any of his teammates during drills.

Crosby clearly has progressed significantly from a few weeks ago when he was forced to cut back on conditioning work due to concussion-related side effects that occurred once he reached the 90 per cent exertion rate.

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Red Sox fans face conundrum

'Even if it hurts the Sox, you never root for the Yankees,' says one fan

Things were looking dire for the Boston Red Sox when they dropped three-of-four games to Tampa Bay and the opener of a doubleheader against last-place Baltimore on Monday.

Fans were booing, panicking and ready to give up.

But they weren't willing to take the most drastic measure of all: Rooting for the New York Yankees when they play the Rays seven times over the next nine days.

"Absolutely not. Anybody that's going to beat the Yankees, I don't care," said Pat Smith, a plumber from Cambridge, Mass., who watched the Red Sox lose to the Orioles on Monday afternoon — their 12th loss in 15 games. "Even if it hurts the Sox, you never root for the Yankees. I'm sorry. I don't care."

The Red Sox led the AL East for much of the summer, and appeared ready to coast into the playoffs with a nine-game lead over Tampa Bay in the wild-card race Sept. 3.

"You've got to root for the Rays. You can't root for the Yankees. Ever! Ever! Ever!"
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But the Rays beat Boston six times in seven games over a 10-day span, trimming the deficit to two games before Baltimore cut it by another half-game Monday. The Red Sox won the nightcap to extend their lead to two games heading into last night.

Before heading to New York for four games in three days, Rays manager Joe Maddon was asked if he ever thought he could turn a ballpark full of 37,000 Bostonians into Yankees fans.

"That's improbable, isn't it?" he said. "It's not just 37,000, it's 37 in the ballpark and millions more in the nation."

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▶ Boston's David Ortiz, left, congratulates Adrian Gonzalez on his two-run home run against Baltimore last night.

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"Only two gods know, Jerry's God and the real God know what my future is going to be here."

CHICAGO WHITE SOX MANAGER OZZIE GUILLEN YESTERDAY ON WHETHER WHITE SOX CHAIRMAN JERRY REINSDORF WILL LET HIM KNOW ABOUT A CONTRACT EXTENSION BEFORE HE LEAVES THE COUNTRY AFTER THE MLB SEASON. GUILLEN HAS ONE YEAR LEFT ON HIS DEAL AND SAYS HE DOES NOT WANT TO BE A LAME DUCK MANAGER GOING INTO 2012.

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Jets' Byfuglien faces charges for alleged impaired boating

A police drug recognition expert concluded that Winnipeg Jets defenceman Dustin Byfuglien was under the influence of drugs when police stopped the boat he was driving on a Minnesota lake last month.

Byfuglien is facing four charges that include boating while under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs. The documents detailing the charges say an officer had stopped the boat because the craft was operating without proper lights.

"Mr. Byfuglien's speech was slurred, he was unsteady on his feet, his eyes were bloodshot and watery and he smelled of a consumed alcoholic beverage," says the arresting officers statement, obtained by The Canadian Press. "Mr. Byfuglien was unable to successfully perform field sobriety tests as requested."

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GOLF

Weir likely out until April

Mike Weir is facing a long road to recovery from surgery, but still hopes to return to the PGA Tour before next year's Masters.

The lefty from Bright's Grove, Ont., had a follow-up appointment with surgeon Dr. James Andrews last week and told reporters on a conference call yesterday he's hoping to play a couple events before next year's first major in April.

Weir said he'll need to be patient during recovery and won't rush back to action.

The 41-year-old had the extensor tendon in his right elbow repaired on Aug. 18.

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Motor

The iMiEV's 49-kilowatt (66-horsepower) electric motor is located in the rear and directs its 145 pound-feet of torque to the rear wheels.

The iMiEV's top speed is 130 km/h, but driving at that velocity for any length of time will quickly sap its 330-volt lithium-ion battery pack positioned beneath the passenger floor.

Mitsubishi places the typical range at about 135 kilometres per charge, less than the 160 kilometres claimed by the Nissan Leaf and other electrics.

Charge time

A 240-volt home charging system will top up the iMiEV in about six hours. Plug it into a regular 120-volt home outlet, however, and it's an agonizingly-long 22.5 hours. That doesn't leave much time in the day for driving.

What will eventually be needed is a network of public charging stations that allow all electric vehicle owners to top up the batteries in the shortest possible time.

Space

The iMiEV's true purpose is abundantly clear: a short-haul urban commuter pod that can also tackle more mundane chores.

It will easily accommodate four adults as long as they're packing light. However with only the front seats in use, cargo capacity with the 50:50 rear seatbacks folded flat matches the space available in the larger Nissan Leaf.

▶ Given the cost of charging versus the cost of gas to go the same distance, the iMiEV is rated at a combined (city/highway) 112 mpg in the United States, or about 2.1 l/100 km. Cheap and clean. Driving like a maniac will impact range, and not in a good way.

Lean, green cuisine

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There's a revolution under way, and it's being fought with volts and kilowatts. This is the new-age arsenal of which those shopping for electrically powered automobiles such as Mitsubishi's iMiEV will become increasingly familiar.

The iMiEV hatchback that's scheduled to arrive here in late 2011 joins the all-electric Nissan Leaf and Tesla roadster plus the gasoline-supported Chevrolet Volt as pioneers in the automotive clean-energy movement. Additional models, including the Mini E and Smart Fortwo Electric, are currently (pun intended) in limited production, while Ford's Transit Connect van and compact Focus will become electrified for the 2012 model year. Other automakers, both large and small, have similar plans to join the electric motorpool.

At this point, the iMiEV will be one of the smallest electrical offerings to be mass produced for general consumption. But in terms of accommodations and price, it should prove to be one of the more attractive.

The lightweight (1,180 kilograms) and efficiently designed iMiEV is bound to succeed on price alone. The fact that its minimalist and futuristic styling will play well with the eco crowd should help keep Mitsubishi's green machine solidly in the black right from the outset.

Revolution? Ready, aim, charge.

5 drive

By comparison

Ford Focus Electric
Base price: $39,000 (est.)
2012 model with a claimed three-to-four-hour charge time, 123 horsepower.

Chevrolet Volt
Base price: $43,000
Backup gasoline generator makes this electric the most practical.

Nissan Leaf
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All the big cheeses at big automotive companies are male. I think that's why we always hear talk about who is – or who is gunning to be – the world's No. 1 automaker.

It has something to do with sales and profits, yes, but a bit more to do with testosterone. The latest "king of the hill" rhetoric emanated from the Frankfurt Auto Show, which is in full swing this week.

Volkswagen issued a statement at the show, detailing how they plan to spend 62.4 billion euros (about $84 billion) in the coming five years to boost its worldwide production.

Currently the VW group, which includes VW, Audi, Skoda and Seat brands, ranks third in the world motor vehicle production rankings. But it wants the No. 1 status, currently held by Toyota. Also ahead of VW at the moment, is No. 2 man, General Motors.

Yes, that same General Motors that filed for bankruptcy protection back in 2009.

"Top of the agenda for us are investments in environmentally-friendly, sustainable models and drives," noted CEO Martin Winterkorn, in VW's statement.

One of those sustainable models sure to drive future volume is the VW Up, shown for the first time in production trim at the show in Frankfurt. The "mini" or "city" Up is a class smaller than Golf, so we probably won't see it here in North America, which would be a shame, because it's looks pretty good.

And where VW is adding future production speaks volume about which world markets are expected to produce the most incremental sale growth in future years. Those markets would be China, Russia, etc., and North America and Europe not so much.

I guess being No. 1 would be a good thing for any automaker, but I sometimes wonder if people forget about the baggage that comes with being No. 1 at anything.

It doesn't take long before the cooler kids start looking the other way, or throw rocks at you when you're not looking, because you are now the boring establishment, and had it coming. And you can forget about having any "underdog" support you once enjoyed.

So go ahead, take your place at the top of the hill if you want to, just bring a helmet.

List

World ranking of automobile manufacturers, based on units produced in 2010.

1) Toyota
2) General Motors
3) Volkswagen
4) Hyundai
5) Ford
6) Nissan
7) Honda
8) Peugeot Citroen
9) Suzuki
10) Renault

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Recycling your ride

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▶ During this stage of the recycling process, what's left of a car is referred to as the hulk.

Behold ... The final resting place of your deceased vehicle

DRIVING FORCE

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Once considered scrap, end-of-life cars are now considered an asset, dismantled and sold for the value of their parts and metal. It's a process that involves both reuse and recycling once they go to their final resting place.

Some 1.2 million vehicles come off the road in Canada every year, according to Steve Fletcher, managing director of the Automotive Recyclers of Canada. Good recyclers will get as much as they can from each one.

"First, they'll remove any parts that can be directly resold," he says.

"Engines, transmissions, mirrors, taillights, anything that doesn't have to be reworked and can be directly reused."

Next, the recycler drains the 20 to 40 litres of fluid that each one may hold, including gasoline, antifreeze, transmission oil, brake fluid, washer fluid and engine oil. Fluids that are fresh enough are used in company vehicles, while old or excess liquids are sold for recycling or reuse.

"We're paid six to eight cents a litre for oil," Fletcher says; it will be re-refined into recycled oil or burned in asphalt furnaces.

"We want the lead acid battery, not just for the environmental reasons, but because it's worth $4 to $5 as a core that can be refurbished," Fletcher says.

Freon is extracted from the a/c system using special equipment, and is either sold or reused.

Recyclers also check for mercury-filled switches, which were used in some older vehicles to activate the under-hood light, and which must be handled as toxic waste.

"From here, the recyclers start to take it down by the metal," Fletcher says.

"That's anything like the copper in radiators, or aluminum in the wheels or engine."

What's left is called the hulk and it's flattened in a giant press, mainly to make it more convenient to ship. If the seats, trim or windshield weren't good enough to reuse, they're simply left in and pressed during the process.

From there, the hulk is shipped to a facility that shreds it into fist-sized chunks. Magnets and other secondary recovery systems such as pressurized air are used to separate the metals, which are then sent for recycling, while foam, carpet and glass go to landfill.

"On an average vehicle, you'll get 75 per cent recycled as metal," Fletcher says. "Once you factor in the parts we take out, such as tires and (reusable) parts, up to 83 per cent of the vehicle is recycled. You get about $500 to $600 for the metal in a flattened hulk for about $100 in time and effort, so a car has positive value."

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This Jeep should Command your respect

SECOND GEAR

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Taking a place above the Grand Cherokee in the Jeep brand's product lineup, the Commander was available from 2006 to 2010 inclusive. Based on the Grand Cherokee, it was blockier looking, bigger, and boasted three rows of seating and room for seven occupants.

Commander packed plenty of capability and traction on the road less travelled with the Quadra Drive II 4x4 system on board.

Look for features like heated leather seats, navigation, a driver computer, parking sensors, power accessories, remote entry, a sunroof and plenty more.

2006 to 2010 Jeep Commander

Engine

Look for a 3.7-litre V-6 with 210 horsepower, or a 4.7-litre V-8 with 235 horsepower until 2008, and 305 horsepower thereafter. Chrysler's 5.7-litre HEMI V-8 with 330 or 357 horsepower was also available, depending on the year. All models got an automatic transmission.

What owners like

Owners praise the stereo system, interior and exterior styling, and performance with the HEMI V-8. A comfortable ride, towing power, the braking system and Commander's off-road capability are also highly rated.

What owners dislike

Comfort and space in the Commander's second and third seating rows are common gripes, as is fuel economy and rearward visibility.

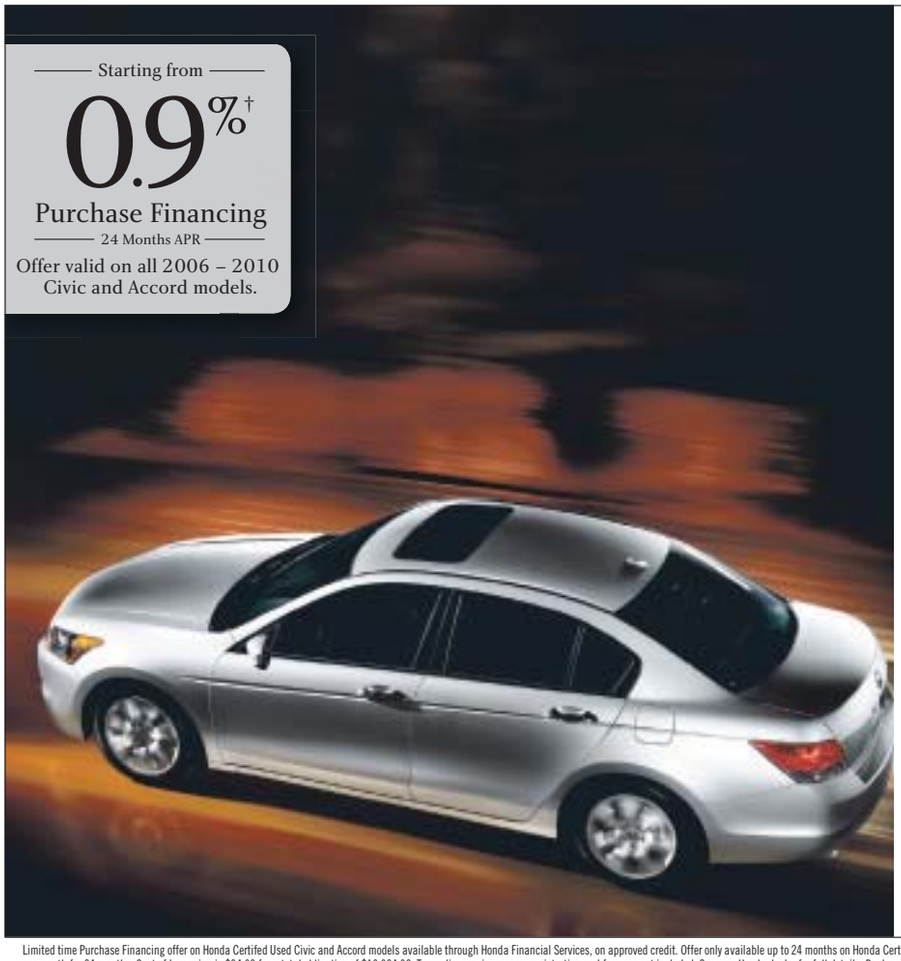
Common issues

Some issues have been reported with electronics, suspension and other systems by owners in online forums, though a Jeep mechanic should be able to check for and diagnose any of the Commander's common problems.

One such problem is a random engine stall-out situation that poses a safety risk. This could be caused by a transmission fluid filter or overly sensitive ignition switch. Ask the vehicle's seller if they've ever experienced this sort of problem.

Verdict

It's primarily styling, towing ability and off-road capability that will draw used vehicle shoppers to the Commander. If you're looking for good fuel mileage, you'd best move to another model.



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Is light the right way?

Spare tires replaced by air pumps as automakers shed weight to improve mileage But there are some who don't agree with the trend

Say you just bought a new car, and the right front tire goes flat as you're driving down the freeway.

Don't be surprised if there's no spare when you look in the trunk.

This year, more than 14 per cent of new models on sale in the United States came with liquid tire sealant and a portable electric air pump instead of a spare, a trend that is growing as automakers try to shed pounds and boost gas mileage.

But there can be problems. While the sealant works well in most cases, you could be stuck on the shoulder if the hole that caused the flat is larger than a quarter of an inch, or if the puncture is on the side of the tire. In those cases, the only option is to have your car towed, and you may have to wait for a repair shop to track down a new tire.

Extra cost

- GM, like many automakers, offers car buyers the option of getting a spare tire, charging $100 to $150 more for them.

"The last thing you want to do is find out the hard way that you don't have a spare tire if you're stranded on the side of the road," said Gene Petersen, tire program leader for Consumer Reports magazine.

However, General Motors Co., Hyundai Motor Co. and other automakers that use the pump-and-sealant kits say they have many advantages, mainly the weight savings. The kits are about nine kilograms lighter than a temporary spare and the jack and other tools needed to put on the tire. Also, the inflator kits don't take up as much room in the trunk, leaving more space for luggage or other cargo.

GM, which has made inflators and sealant standard on all but five of its 22 U.S. car and crossover models, said the kits can fix 85 per cent of tire punctures. They're easy to use, even for someone who might be afraid of changing a tire, and they're safer because tires can be quickly refilled, getting the driver off the roadside and back in traffic faster than putting on a spare, said Dave Cowger, GM's tire engineering group manager.

Hyundai says the inflator kits help avoid another problem: getting dirty while changing a tire yourself. All you do is attach some tubes and fill the tire with sealant and air.

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▶ A tire inflator is pictured. This year, more than 14 per cent of new models on sale in the U.S. came with liquid tire sealant and a portable electric air pump instead of a spare. It's a trend that is growing.

GM's market research, Cowger said, shows that half of consumers would call for roadside assistance rather than using a spare.

Still, for the 85 per cent of flats that the sealant can fix, there are 15 per cent that it can't.

That's why Honda Motor Co. uses spares on all its 2011 models, spokesman Chuck Schifsky said.

"An actual spare tire is the best backup system should a customer have a flat tire," he said. "This is especially true in cases where the tire is damaged beyond what the tire sealant and pump systems can repair."

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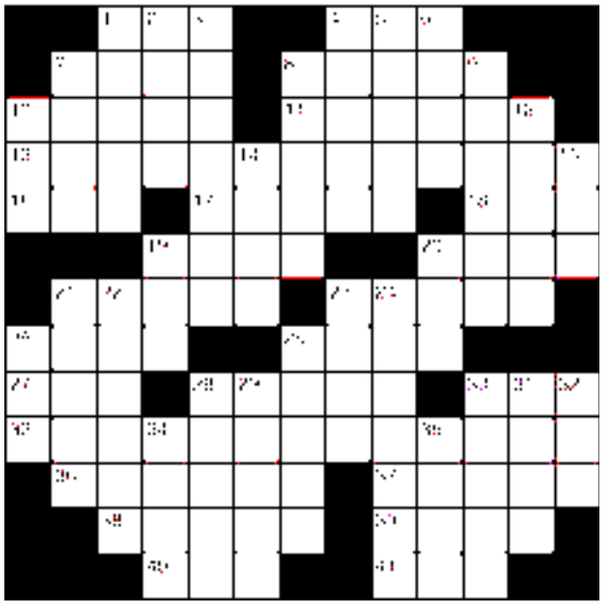

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35 Hoofbeat sound

▶ Yesterday's answer

Sudoku

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How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ▶

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Today's horoscope

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♈ Aries March 21-April 20 If you are thinking of making changes, consult partners and colleagues.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 The good times just seem to go on and on. Enjoy yourself by all means but think of the future, too.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 In days, your luck will turn and you'll wonder why you doubted that the good times would soon be back.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 If you let other people order you around, they'll get the impression you're powerless. Stand up for yourself.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 Someone will make an attempt to part you from your cash. He or she will succeed if you let down your guard.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 Any projects you started that are not completed can be abandoned.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Your self-confidence may have taken a few knocks but don't let it worry you. You'll be at your best soon.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 How you think determines how you feel, and how you feel determines your everyday reality.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 People in authority will look kindly on you today. That's great.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 Recent triumphs have done wonders for your confidence. Now, you will be tested like never before.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 By week's end, many of your problems will resolve themselves.

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20. If you need to make changes to a partnership, do so before the Sun changes signs on Friday.

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